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TRACTOR SPARE PARTS OUTPUT LOW;
AUTOMOBILE PRODUCTION INCREASES

TRACTOR PARTS PRODUCTION POOR -- Pravda, No 33, 2 Feb 49

Although the Ministry of Armaments fulfilled its plan for the production of spare parts for agricultural tractors in 1948, the Ministries of Automobile and Tractor Industry, and of Transport-Machine Building failed to meet the required production of these parts.

The Ministry of Automobile and Tractor Industry is primarily responsible for the tractor spare-parts shortage, particularly of parts for the STZ-NATI tractor. The following plants have been lagging in the production of tractor spare parts: Omsk "Sibzavod" Plant, Saratov "Serp i Molot" Plant, Stalingrad Tractor Plant, Kuybyshev Bearing Plant No 9, Kuybyshev Bearing Plant No 4, Sverdlovsk Bearing Plant, and Kharkov Bearing Plant.

GOR'KIY PLANT PRODUCES MORE POBEDAS -- Pravda, No 38, 7 Feb 49

Production of the Pobeda automobile has greatly increased at the Gor'kiy Automobile Plant imeni Molotov. The plant produced $1\frac{1}{2}$ times more automobiles in January 1949 than in the preceding December, and will produce 150 to 200 percent more automobiles during 1949 than in 1948.

TO PRODUCE NEW LOCOMOBILE -- Sovetskaya Belorussiya, No 87, 1 May 49

A new locomobile is ready to go into production in the Mogilev Locomobile Plant.

MINSK PLANT BUILDS COMPRESSORS -- Sovetskaya Belorussiya, No 87, 1 May 49

Chassis Shop No 2 of the Minsk Automobile Plant has begun production of compressors for automobiles. So far, 60 compressors have been manufactured.

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MOSCOW PLANT MAKES GENERATORS -- Vechernyaya Moskva, No 108, 7 May 49

The Moscow Plant of Automobile and Tractor Electrical Equipment has started production of generators and starters for the Pobeda automobile.

NEW SHOP MAKES WHEELS -- Pravda Ukrainy, No 12, 15 Jan 49

A new shop which produces pressed wheels for automobiles has been started in the Dnepropetrovsk Automobile Plant. The first output of the new shop has been dispatched to the Moscow Automobile Plant imeni Stalin.

YEREVAN "AVTODETAL'" PLANT EXCEEDS PLANS -- Kommunist, No 106, 7 May 49

The Yerevan "Avtodetal'" (Automobile Parts) Plant has increased gross production 60 percent and production of spare parts 89.5 percent in the last 6 months. Since the beginning of 1949, the plant has produced 465,000 rubles' worth of goods above the plan and has decreased costs by 16 percent. Labor productivity has increased 33 percent above plan.

The plant has already completed 82 percent of the 6-month gross-production plan and 85 percent of the 6-month plan for production of spare parts. The 6-month plan for production of first and second speed gears has been fulfilled 113 percent. Output of third and fourth speed gears and crankshaft gears has already reached the level planned for 5½ months of work. The plant released 333,000 rubles of working capital in the first quarter.

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